ABSTRACT

Described is a method for improving the spreading properties of fatty alcohol containing compositions comprising the steps providing an amount of fatty alcohol containing composition, and adding an effective amount of acylating source to the fatty alcohol containing composition, where the acylating source is $R_1C{=}OOR_2$, where R_1 is an alkyl substituent of the acyl group having between 1 and 5 carbons; where R_2 is a long chain fatty alkyl subsistent (non-limiting examples are unsaturated substituents such as $CH_3 - (CH_2)_7 - CH = CH - CH_2 - (CH_2)_x -$, and saturated substituents such as $CH_3 - (CH_2)_y-$, wherein x ranges from 4 to 12, and y ranges from 14 to 22, and the like), and wherein the whereby the spreading properties are increased over the spreading properties originally exhibited.